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NOTE FOR: 

Chairman, National
Intelligence Council

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The attached supplements (and
corrects) what was said at this
a.m. NIC meeting about Saturday's
nuclear terrorist incident in France.
Will try to fill up story a bit more
before NFIB meeting this afternoon.

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Attachment:
As Stated

cc: SA/NPI

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OSWR Highlights

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*The items below are the result of preliminary
analysis and have not been coordinated.
Please treat this information accordingly.*

Anti-Nuclear Group Attacks French Nuclear Power Station [REDACTED]

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A "Pacifist and Ecological Committee" claimed responsibility for a rocket attack on a nuclear power station under construction near Lyons, France. The attack occurred from the bank of the Rhone River on Saturday night and slammed five rockets into the walls of the retaining vessel which is being built to hold the fast-breeder reactor's core. French police said the rockets had been stolen from the French Army. Later press reports claim they were 60 mm Soviet anti-tank rockets. [REDACTED]

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Although the attack probably did no significant damage to the facility, this is the first time an anti-nuclear group has launched an attack against a nuclear power plant. Nuclear power plants have been attacked before by a Basque terrorist group, however, their goal was politically motivated to liberate the Basque region from Spain [REDACTED]

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The Memo to Holders of SNIE 6-78 predicted this type of attack would occur within two or three years. [REDACTED]

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Nuclear Energy Division
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